

ABSTRACT

A system and method for copying a plural-page document with an image forming apparatus, the image forming apparatus including a scanner for scanning each page of the document and a fixing unit for fixing images of each page of the document to a respective sheet, includes scanning each page of the document with the scanner, and determining whether the scanner is scanning any page of the document. A copy rate for copying the document is set to a first level if the scanner is scanning any page of the document, the copy rate corresponding to a number of pages copied in a set period of time.

10 The copy rate is set to a second level higher than the first level if the scanner is not scanning any pages of the document.